

**PLYMPTON COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE
MINUTES FOR TUESDAY, MARCH 5, 2019, 6:00 P.M.**

The CPC meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm.

Members in attendance: Susan Ossoff, Jane Schulze, Mark Russo, Rick Burnet, Deb Anderson, Dave Chandler, Irv Butler and Judy Dudley.

Meeting minutes from November 15 were unanimously accepted as amended by a vote of 8 - 0.

Bills approved for payment:

\$300 Community Preservation Coalition Dues.

\$84 Express Newspapers for Public Hearing Announcements.

Both bills unanimously approved for payment by a vote of 8-0.

Budget: A review of the budget shows \$151,257.26 balance available in the undesignated fund.

Other business: A Draft Report of the Plympton Community Preservation Committee was reviewed and edited.

Public Hearing Called to Order 6:20 PM

The Announcement of the Public Meeting Notice was read by Mark Russo.

Mark summarized that there are two applications for review.

The first application is for \$30k submitted by The Open Space Committee to be used for technical assistance, such as title searches.

The second application is for \$94k by The Plympton School Committee - Dennett Elementary to update the playground, and in so doing, to meet current safety standards.

The Open Space Committee Application:

Linda Leddy co-chair of Open Space Committee addressed those present and stated that purpose of this application is to “be prepared”. Most towns have a contingency like this to enable them to continue to examine opportunities and react accordingly. This fund allows communities to proactively work with land owners to help them get tax benefits from the state. It also allows the chance to work with donated properties to help the donors get their benefits, and to help offset the costs of donating land. Essentially it helps Open Space look ahead and be planful.

Mark Russo opened the discussion for comments. Jon Wilhelmsen & Justin Fraser, both in attendance at the meeting, showed their support for this Open Space Committee application.

With no other comments, Mark Russo then made a motion to close the evidentiary part of this hearing for Open Space. Irv Butler Seconded. All were in favor.

The Plympton School Committee Application:

Jason Fraser summarized the proposal from The Plympton School Committee. The proposal will support the building and updating of a modern, accessible and safe playground at Dennett Elementary. The project is estimated at \$228,000 total, but the request to the CPC is for \$94k. This proposal will help fund updating of safety standards for impact, as well as make the playground accessible for students with motor impact and developmental needs. Jon Wilhelmsen said a completed application and accompanying power point presentation are ready for submission.

Comments from those present were made in favor of supporting this project, and there were no objections.

Mark Russo made a motion to close the evidentiary portion of hearing closed. Deb Anderson seconded. All were in favor.

Mark Russo made a motion to recommend The Open Space Committee application at town meeting. Deb Anderson seconded. The committee unanimously approved.

Mark Russo made a motion to recommend The Plympton School Committee playground application to town meeting. Irv Butler seconded. The committee unanimously approved.

Mark Russo made a motion to close the public hearing at 6:55 pm. Jane Schulze seconded. The public hearing was adjourned.

Next Meeting: Next CPC meeting date is to be determined.

Adjournment: Irv Butler made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Jane Schulze seconded. CPC unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Judy Dudley on behalf of the CPC.